

H.R. 762. An act to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Mineral Leasing Act to clarify the method by which the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture determine the fair market value of certain rights-of-way granted, issued, or renewed under these Acts.

H.R. 1412. An act to provide the Secretary of Education with specific waiver authority to respond to a war or other military operation national emergency.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 109. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Blue Star Flag and the Gold Star.

The message further announced that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 95) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2004 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2003 and 2005 through 2013, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

For consideration of the House concurrent resolution and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. NUSSLE; Mr. SHAYS; and Mr. SPRATT.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolutions, previously received from the House of Representatives for concurrence, were referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 104. Concurrent resolution expressing the support and appreciation of the Nation for the President and the members of the Armed Forces who are participating in Operation Iraqi Freedom; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. Con. Res. 118. Concurrent resolution concerning the treatment of members of the Armed Forces held as prisoner of war by Iraqi authorities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 289. An act to expand the boundaries of the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge Complex and the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 622. An act to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Coconino and Tonto National Forests in Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 758. An act to allow all businesses to make up to 24 transfers each month from interest-bearing transaction accounts to other transaction accounts, to require the payment of interest on reserves held for depository institutions at Federal reserve banks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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granted, issued, or renewed under these Acts; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 1412. An act to provide the Secretary of Education with specific waiver authority to respond to a war or other military operation or national emergency, to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 109. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Blue Star Banner and the Gold Star; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1790. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Alternate Locking Devices for Plug and Receptacle-Type Connectors on Mobile Battery-Powered Machines (1219-AA98)" received on March 27, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1791. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Mine Safety and Health, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Criteria and Procedures for Proposed Assessment of Civil Penalties (1219-AB32)" received on March 27, 2003; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1792. A communication from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Energy Administration's Annual Energy Review 2001, received on March 20, 2003; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1793. A communication from the Acting Principle Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a several documents that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently issued related to EPA regulatory programs, received on March 24, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on Finance.

*Joseph Robert Goeke, of Illinois, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years after he takes office.

*Robert Allen Wherry, Jr., of Colorado, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

*Harry A. Haines, of Montana, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

*Diane L. Kroupa, of Minnesota, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

*Mark Van Dyke Holmes, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

*Mark W. Everson, of Texas, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue for a term of five years.

*Raymond T. Wagner, Jr., of Missouri, to be a Member of the Internal Revenue Service

Oversight Board for the remainder of the term expiring September 14, 2004.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominees commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BYRD, Mr. HOLLINGS, and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 763. A bill to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 46 Ohio Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the "Birch Bayh Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 764. A bill to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 765. A bill to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to streamline the financial disclosure process for executive branch employees; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself and Mr. MILLER):

S. 766. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Jacksonville, Florida, metropolitan area; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. MILLER, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 767. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the increase in the tax on social security benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 768. A bill to provide for reform of the Senior Executive Service, adjustment in the rates of pay of certain positions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 769. A bill to permit reviews of criminal records of applicants for private security officer employment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 770. A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure fair treatment and due process protections under the temporary assistance to needy families program, to facilitate enhanced data collection and reporting requirements under that program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. 771. A bill to improve the investigation and prosecution of child abuse cases through Children Advocacy Centers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska:

S. 772. A bill to provide that the apportionment of funds to airports for fiscal year 2004

shall be based on passenger boardings during calendar years 2000 and 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. SHELBY, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 773. A bill to reauthorize funding for the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 103. A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of John Jenkel v. Daniel K. Akaka, et al.; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. Con. Res. 32. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the protection of religious sites and the freedom of access and worship; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 7

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 7, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of outpatient prescription drugs under the Medicare program and to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals, and for other purposes.

S. 13

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 13, a bill to provide financial security to family farm and small business owners while by ending the unfair practice of taxing someone at death.

S. 224

At the request of Mr. DASCHLE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 224, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

S. 251

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 251, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent motor fuel excise taxes on railroads and inland waterway transportation which remain in the general fund of the Treasury.

S. 271

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cospon-

sor of S. 271, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional advance refunding of bonds originally issued to finance governmental facilities used for essential governmental functions.

S. 274

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 274, a bill to amend the procedures that apply to consideration of interstate class actions to assure fairer outcomes for class members and defendants, and for other purposes.

S. 310

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 310, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under part B of the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 363

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 363, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide that the reductions in Social Security benefits which are required in the case of spouses and surviving spouses who are also receiving certain Government pensions shall be equal to the amount by which two-thirds of the total amount of the combined monthly benefit (before reduction) and monthly pension exceeds \$1,200, adjusted for inflation.

S. 380

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) were added as cosponsors of S. 380, a bill to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

S. 460

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 460, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2004 through 2010 to carry out the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program.

S. 471

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 471, a bill to ensure continuity for the design of the 5-cent coin, establish the Citizens Coinage Committee, and for other purposes.

S. 498

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) were added as cosponsors of S. 498, a bill to authorize the President to posthumously award a gold medal on behalf of Con-

gress to Joseph A. De Laine in recognition of his contributions to the Nation.

S. 501

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 501, a bill to provide a grant program for gifted and talented students, and for other purposes.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 504, a bill to establish academics for teachers and students of American history and civics and a national alliance of teachers of American history and civics, and for other purposes.

S. 518

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 518, a bill to increase the supply of pancreatic islet cells for research, to provide better coordination of Federal efforts and information on islet cell transplantation, and to collect the data necessary to move islet cell transplantation from an experimental procedure to a standard therapy.

S. 665

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 665, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for farmers and fisherman, and for other purposes.

S. 722

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 722, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require that manufacturers of dietary supplements submit to the Food and Drug Administration reports on adverse experiences with dietary supplements, and for other purposes.

S. 724

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 724, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt certain rocket propellants from prohibitions under that title on explosive materials.

S. 749

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 749, a bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Votes for Women History Trail in the State of New York.

S. 760

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 760, a bill to implement effective measures to stop trade in conflict diamonds, and for other purposes.

S. CON. RES. 25

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr.